STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1961 No. 393

MERCHANT SHIPPING

MASTERS AND SEAMEN

The Merchant Shipping (Crew Accommodation) (Amendment) Regulations, 1961

Made - - - -	*6th March*, 1961
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Coming into Operation	*1st May*, 1961

The Minister of Transport in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Section 1 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1948(a), as amended by the Merchant Shipping Act, 1952(b), and of all other powers him enabling in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations shall come into operation on the first day of May, 1961, and may be cited as "The Merchant Shipping (Crew Accommodation) (Amendment) Regulations, 1961".

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(c), shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. The Merchant Shipping (Crew Accommodation) Regulations, 1953(d), as amended by the Merchant Shipping (Crew Accommodation) (Amendment) Regulations, 1954(e), shall have effect as though for paragraph (7) of Regulation 31 the following paragraph were substituted—

"(7) (*a*) In addition to any mechanical ventilation required by Regulation 12 of these Regulations, or any means of ventilation in lieu thereof allowed by the Minister under Regulation 38 (3) of these Regulations, every permanent hospital shall be provided with adequate natural supply and exhaust ventilation to the open air by means of ventilators independent of the ventilators provided for any other space in the ship. The Minister may exempt any ship from the requirement of this sub-paragraph if he is satisfied that compliance therewith is unreasonable or impracticable in the circumstances.

(*b*) Every hospital in every ship when regularly engaged, whether temporarily or permanently, on voyages to areas within the Persian Gulf shall be provided with a means of air conditioning of sufficient capacity to maintain 84° Fahrenheit (dry bulb) with 50% relative humidity when the ambient conditions are 90° Fahrenheit (dry bulb) with 78% relative humidity."

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport this sixth day of March, 1961.

(L.S.)

Ernest Marples,
The Minister of Transport.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations further amend the Merchant Shipping (Crew Accommodation) Regulations, 1953, to provide that hospitals of ships regularly engaged on voyages to areas within the Persian Gulf shall be provided with a means of air conditioning.

(a) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 44. (b) 15 & 16 Geo. 6 & 1 Eliz. 2. c. 14. (c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.
(d) S.I. 1953/1036 (1953 I, p. 1070). (e) S.I. 1954/1660 (1954 I, p. 1194).